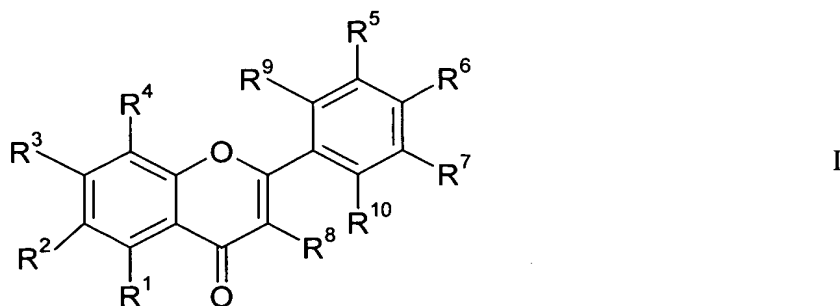


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for pharmaceutical or cosmetic application, or as a nutritional supplement having antioxidant properties comprising at least one compound of the formula I in an amount of from 0.01 to 20% by weight of such composition



where R^1 to R^{10} may be identical or different and are selected from

- H
- OR^{11}
- a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -alkyl groups group,
- a straight-chain or branched C_3 - to C_{20} -alkenyl groups group,
- a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -hydroxyalkyl groups group, where the hydroxyl group(s) group are is bonded to a primary or secondary carbon atom of the chain alkyl group and furthermore wherein the alkyl chain group is optionally interrupted by oxygen, and/or
- a C_3 - to C_{10} -cycloalkyl groups and/or group, or a C_3 - to C_{12} -cycloalkenyl groups group, where the rings are each optionally bridged by $-(CH_2)_n-$ groups group, where $n = 1$ to 3 ,
- where all OR^{11} are is, independently of one another,
 - OH
 - a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -alkoxy groups group,
 - a straight-chain or branched C_3 - to C_{20} -alkenyloxy groups group,
 - a straight-chain or branched C_1 - to C_{20} -hydroxyalkoxy groups group, where the

- hydroxyl ~~group(s) group are~~ is bonded to a primary or secondary carbon atom of the chain and furthermore the alkyl chain is optionally interrupted by oxygen, ~~and/or~~
- a C₃- to C₁₀-cycloalkoxy groups and/or group, or a C₃- to C₁₂-cycloalkenyloxy groups group, where the rings are each optionally bridged by -(CH₂)_n- groups group, where n = 1 to 3, ~~and/or~~
 - a mono- and/or oligoglycosyl radicals,
- with the proviso that:
- at least 3 radicals from R¹ to R⁷ are OH and that at least 2 pairs of adjacent -OH groups are present in the molecule are located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another, or R², R⁵ and R⁶ are OH and the radicals R¹, R³, R⁴ and R⁷⁻¹⁰ are H.

2. **(Currently Amended)** The A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein radicals R¹ to R⁴ and radicals R⁵ to R⁷ each comprise at least two -OH groups located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another adjacent radicals of the radicals R¹ to R⁴ are OH and at least two adjacent radicals of the radicals R⁵ to R⁷ are OH.

3. **(Currently Amended)** The A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein ~~at least three adjacent radicals of the radicals R¹ to R⁴ are OH~~ comprise at least three -OH groups located at positions on a ring adjacent to one another.

4. **(Currently Amended)** The A composition of claim 1, comprising at least one compound of the formula I wherein the radicals R¹ to R³ are OH.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The A composition of claim 1, comprising one or more compounds of the formula I in an amount of from 0.01 to 20% by weight.

6. (Currently Amended) The A composition of claim 1, comprising one or more compounds of the formula I in an amount of from 0.1 to 10% by weight.

7. (Currently Amended) A composition of claim 1, for the protection of body cells against oxidative stress, ~~which further comprises~~ comprising one or more other antioxidants and/or vitamins.

8. (Currently Amended) The A composition of claim 7, wherein ~~at least one other~~ said anti-oxidant or vitamin is vitamin A palmitate, vitamin C or a derivative thereof, DL- α -tocopherol, tocopherol E acetate, nicotinic acid, pantothenic acid or biotin.

9. (Currently Amended) A composition of claim 1, ~~which further comprises~~ comprising one or more UV filters.

10. (Currently Amended) The A composition of claim 9, wherein ~~at least one~~ said UV filter is ~~selected from the group consisting of~~ 3-(4'-methylbenzylidene)-dl-camphor, 1-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propane-1,3-dione, 4-isopropylidibenzoylmethane, 2-hydroxy-4-methoxybenzophenone, octyl methoxycinnamate, 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl salicylate, 2-ethylhexyl 4-(dimethylamino)benzoate, 2-ethylhexyl 2-cyano-3,3-diphenylacrylate, or 2-phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid and its potassium, sodium and triethanolamine salts.

11. (Currently Amended) The A composition of claim 1, ~~which~~ said composition is being a food or a food supplement and ~~comprises~~ further comprising an excipient which is suitable for a food or a food supplement.

12. (Withdrawn, Amended) A process for preparing a composition of claim ~~1~~ 11, ~~which~~ comprises comprising mixing a compound of ~~the~~ formula I with an excipient which is suitable

cosmetically or dermatologically or for food.

13. (Withdrawn, Amended) A process according to claim 12, wherein the compound of ~~the~~ formula I is prepared by reacting a 2-hydroxyacetophenone compound with a lithium compound and subsequently a keto compound.

14. (Withdrawn, Amended) A method for achieving an anti-oxidant effect on a patient ~~which comprises~~ comprising administering to the patient a composition of claim 1.

15. (Withdrawn, Amended) ~~The~~ A method of claim 14, wherein the composition is applied to the skin.

16. (Withdrawn, Amended) ~~The~~ A method of claim 14, wherein the composition further comprises at least one UV filter compound.

17. (Withdrawn, Amended) ~~The~~ A method of claim 16, wherein ~~at least one~~ the UV filter ~~compound~~ is a dibenzoylmethane compound.

18. (Previously presented) A composition of claim 1, which is in the form of an emulsion.